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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—374)

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Motion To Adjourn: Senate agreed to the motion to adjourn until 8:22 p.m., on Wednesday, September 22, 2021. Page S6629

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 8:20 p.m., and reconvened at 8:22 p.m., on the same day, and adjourned at 8:28 p.m., until 9 a.m. on Thursday, September 23, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$6630.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Alexander Hoehn-Saric, of Maryland, and Richard Trumka, Jr., of Maryland, both to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and Grant T. Harris, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Victoria Marie Baecher Wassmer, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Mohsin Raza Syed, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Amitabha Bose, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, all of the Department of Transportation, and Meera Joshi, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2205, to designate the United States courthouse located at 201 South Evans Street in Greenville, North Carolina, as the "Malcolm J. Howard United States Courthouse";

- S. 2126, to designate the Federal Office Building located at 308 W. 21st Street in Cheyenne, Wyoming, as the "Louisa Swain Federal Office Building";
- S. 1226, to designate the United States courthouse located at 1501 North 6th Street in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, as the "Sylvia H. Rambo United States Courthouse":
- S. 233, to designate the Rocksprings Station of the U.S. Border Patrol located on West Main Street in Rocksprings, Texas, as the "Donna M. Doss Border Patrol Station";
- 9 General Services Administration resolutions; and The nominations of Jeffrey M. Prieto, of California, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, Stephen A. Owens, of Arizona, and Sylvia E. Johnson, of North Carolina, each to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board.

CIRCULAR ECONOMY

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the circular economy as a concept for creating a more sustainable future, after receiving testimony from Elizabeth S. Biser, North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Raleigh; and Roberta Elias, World Wildlife Fund, Brian Hawkinson, American Forest and Paper Association, and William H. Johnson, Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Christi A. Grimm, of Colorado, to be Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, and Neil Harvey MacBride, of Virginia, to be General Counsel for the Department of the Treasury, after the nominees, who were introduced by Senator Kaine, testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Thomas R. Nides, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the State of Israel, who was introduced by Senator Klobuchar, David L. Cohen, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Canada, who was introduced by Senators Casey and Toomey, Cynthia Ann Telles, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Costa Rica, who was introduced by Senator Padilla, Sarah Margon, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, who was introduced by former Senator Feingold, and Tom Udall, of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Independent State of Samoa, who was introduced by Senators Heinrich

and Luján, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Cathy Ann Harris, of Maryland, to be Chairman and a Member, and Tristan Lynn Leavitt, of Idaho, who was introduced by Senator Grassley, and Raymond A. Limon, of Nevada, both to be a Member, all of the Merit Systems Protection Board, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAMS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety concluded a hearing to examine successful on the job, apprenticeship training programs to help workers and business get ready to work, after receiving testimony from Noel Ginsburg, CareerWise, and Naarai Navarro, Pinnacol Assurance, both of Denver, Colorado; and Leah Curry, Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Indiana, Inc., Princeton.

VOTING RIGHTS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine restoring the Voting Rights Act, focusing on combating discriminatory abuses, after

receiving testimony from Franita Tolson, University of Southern California Gould School of Law, and Thomas A. Saenz, MALDEF, both of Los Angeles, California; John C. Yang, Asian Americans Advancing Justice, and Hans A. von Spakovsky, The Heritage Foundation Center for Legal and Judicial Studies, both of Washington, D.C.; and Maureen S. Riordan, Public Interest Legal Foundation, Indianapolis, Indiana.

SBIR-STTR PROGRAM

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine a review of the Small Business Innovation Research-Small Business Technology Transfer Program, including S. 2631, to amend the Small Business Act to create a program to provide funding for organizations that support startup businesses in formation and early growth stages by providing entrepreneurs with resources and services to produce viable businesses, after receiving testimony from Jere W. Glover, Small Business Technology Council, Washington, D.C.; and Bob Kavetsky, Energetics Technology Center, Indian Head, Maryland.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 5232–5343; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 673–675, were introduced. Pages H5090–91

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Dean to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:19 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022: The House considered H.R. 4350, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel

strengths for such fiscal year. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, September 23rd.

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Agreed to:

Dean amendment (No. 5 printed in part C of H. Rept. 117–125) that was debated on September 21st that directs the holder of a private education loan to discharge the loan in the event of the borrower's death or total and permanent disability (by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 204 nays, Roll No. 269);

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Plaskett amendment (No. 6 printed in part C of H. Rept. 117–125) that was debated on September 21st that provides for U.S. Virgin Islands non-immigrant visitor visa waivers (as currently provided for Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands) for stays of up to 45 days in the U.S. Virgin Islands (by a yea-and-nay vote of 235 yeas to 190 nays, Roll No. 270);

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